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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr .Ashcroft:

Over the past three years I have watched the Department of Justice's aggressive attack on Microsoft. I am so pleased to see that this unwarranted and unsubstantiated antitrust assault on Microsoft coming to close, provided that the government has the foresight to see the beneficial impact from Microsoft's settlement.

The settlement allows for new Windows configurations, giving computer makers and developers greater flexibility in offering non-Microsoft software programs. This will provide consumers with the option to remove and/or reconfigure any part of Windows. This gives the consumer the decision of what they like to use, and don't want to keep. Consumers drive the markets; they decide what it is that makes a company fail or succeed.

Microsoft has successfully proven, time after time, by creating and updating their innovative products, where nothing else compares. This settlement is the right thing to do, for Microsoft, the public interest, the tech industry , the economy, and all of which is vested in consumer purchasing. Keeping Microsoft out of more entangled legal matters, will definitively promote more responsible business decisions from Microsoft right down the line to the customer. Please don't continue this absurd mess of litigious behavior with Microsoft. It is a waste of time and does not serve the best interest of the public good.

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